Michigan

(Dollars in Thousands)

	2012	5%	Revised
Michigan	Total*	Sequester	Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	113,634	-5,510	108,124

^{*} The 2012 Total does not include project specific funding for land acquisition, construction, and Bureau of Reclamation projects or competitive grant allocations.

Interior funding in Michigan totaled about \$113.6 million in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$5.5 million. This estimate will be updated once the sequestration order is issued and allocations are finalized. There could be further reductions in competitive grants, land acquisition and construction projects, and wildland fire expenditures that are not included in this estimate.

- The Department of Interior has a presence in Michigan with over 600 employees. Michigan is the home to five park units and shares one national scenic trail with adjoining States. In addition, Michigan hosts six refuges, one international refuge, one wildlife management area, and three fish hatcheries.
- Together these assets attracted over 1.5 million visitors, created over 1,000 jobs, and generated \$55 million for local economies in 2011.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in Michigan stand to lose an estimated:
 - \$1.9 million from Bureau of Indian Affairs activities affecting the 12 Native American Tribes in the State of Michigan.
 - \$1.8 million from Fish and Wildlife Service sites like *Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge and Seney National Wildlife Refuge*.
 - \$778 thousand from National Park Service sites like Isle Royale National Park, River Raisin National Battlefield Park, and Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Michigan would drop by about \$1.9 million.

	Estimate		Revised Total
Interior Grants and Payments	Total	Sequester	
Historic Preservation Fund	1,113	-56	1,057
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	1,140	-57	1,083
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	4,275	-218	4,057
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	29,851	-1,522	28,329
State and Wildlife Grants	1,283	-64	1,219
Mineral Revenue Payments	331	-17	314
Total, Michigan	37,993	-1,934	36,059

Note: The sequester is an across-the-board reduction that reduces every account and activity (with few exemptions). The result will be reduced levels of direct services provided to the American public. Cut backs in visitor hours and programs will impact tourism and travel and have ripple effects on communities and economies that are reliant on these activities. Reductions in permanent and seasonal staffing and reductions in contracts will impact surrounding communities where employees live and where supplies and services are acquired. Reductions in grants and payments will impact the abilities of States, Tribes and counties to sustain ongoing services in emergency response, education, and others. As these impacts are defined, we will provide details.